

REMARKS/ ARGUMENTS

The foregoing amendment and the following arguments are provided to impart precision to the claims, by more particularly pointing out the invention, rather than to avoid prior art.

35 U.S.C. § 102(e) Rejections

Examiner rejected claims 1-3, 5-6, 9-11, 13-14, 17-22, 24-26 and 28 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,418,017 (hereinafter "Patel").

"To anticipate a claims, the reference must teach every element of the claim. A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference." (Manual of Patent Examining Procedures (MPEP) ¶ 2131.)

Independent claims 1, 19, and 24 of the present application include limitations not disclosed or taught by Patel et al. As a result, claims 1, 19, and 24 are not anticipated by Patel et al.

In particular, independent claims 1, 19, and 24 include the limitation, or a limitation similar thereto, of a thermo-siphon device formed as an integral part of the top wall of the chassis, the thermo-siphon device including first heat pipe and a second heat pipe, a vaporizing end of the first and second heat pipe coupled to a first metal plate, a condensing end of the first heat pipe coupled to a second metal plate, and a condensing end of the second heat pipe coupled to a third metal plate. Patel et al does not disclose or suggest the claimed, as is claimed by applicant.

Rather, Patel et al only discloses the use of a heat pipe that is in the bottom of the chassis, which likely to provide the disadvantage of causing hot spots on the outside bottom skin of the chassis. The hot spots on the bottom skin of the chassis could result in significant discomfort when the computer is in contact with the user. Furthermore, Patel does not disclose the limitation of two separate heat pipes formed as an integral part of the wall, with a vaporizing end of the first and second heat pipe coupled to a first metal plate, a condensing end of the first heat pipe coupled to a second metal plate, and a condensing end of the second heat pipe coupled to a third metal plate.

As a result, applicant's independent claims include limitations that are not disclosed nor suggested by Patel et al, and applicant's independent claims are therefore not anticipated by Patel et al.

Furthermore, the remaining claims depend from one of independent claims 1, 19, and 24, and therefore include the distinguishing claim limitations of claims 1, 19, and 24, as discussed above. As a result, the remaining claims are also not anticipated by Patel et al.

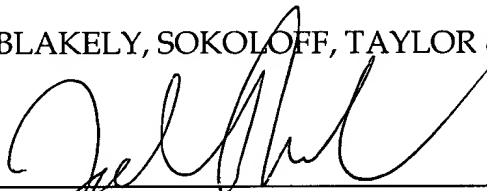
CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite or assist in the allowance of the present application, the Examiner is invited to call John Ward at (408) 720-8300, x237.

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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